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DEPARTMENT PLEASE PASS TO SECRETARY'S PARTY

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TAGS: OVIP (KISSINGER, HENRYH)

SUBJECT: SECRETARY'S VISIT TO ANKARA

- 1. AS RESULT EMBASSY DISCUSSIONS WITH MFA DIRECTOR GENERAL OF PROTOCOL KURTBAY ON OCTOBER 31/NOVEMBER 1, FOLLOWING IS GENERAL DIRECTION OF PLANNING FOR SECRETARY'S VISIT.
- 2. ARRIVAL AT AIRPORT. TURKISH GOVERNMENT DOES NOT PLAN ELABORATE CEREMONY AT THE AIRPORT. SECRETARY, MRS. KISSINGER, AND PARTY WOULD BE GREEDTED BY A SMALL TURKISH DELEGATION HEADED BY FONMIN AND MRS. GUNES AND INCLUDING MFA SECGEN AND MRS. ELEKDAG, TEZEL, DIRECTOR GENERAL OF POLITICAL AFFAIRS, KURTBAY, DIRECTOR GENERAL PROTOCOL, REPRESENTATIVES OF THE GOVERNOR AND MAYOR AND A TURKISH ESCORT OFFICER, BECAUSE AIRPORT VIP LOUNGE IS QUITE SMALL PROTOCOL RECOMMENDS ONLY SECRETARY AND MRS. KISSINGER AND ABOUT EIGHT OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY PAUSE THERE BRIEFLY FOR GREETING WELCOMING PARTY. OTHER MEMBERS OF PARTY, INCLUDING PRESS WILL PROCEED DIRECTLY TO LARGE ADJOINING ROOM WHICH WILL BE SET UP FOR SECRETARY TO DELIVER HIS ARRIVAL STATEMENT. PARTY WILL THEN GO DIRECTLY TO VEHICLES. SECRETARY AND MRS. KISSINGER WOULD RIDE WITH FONMIN AND MRS. GUNES FROM THE AIRPORT INTO TOWN (ABOUT 40 MINUTES). (N.B. FONMIN AND MRS. GUNES ARE BOTH FLUENT IN FRENCH BUT SPEAK LITTLE ENGLISH. IS INTERPRETER DESIRED?) REMAINDER OF MOTORCADE WILL BE ASSIGNED AS SOON AS EMBASSY RECEIVES LIST OF MEMBERS CONFIDENTIAL

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OF PARTY.

- 3. INITIAL WORKING SESSION. FRIDAY NOV 8. SECRETARY AND PARTY WILL PROCEED TO QUARTERS FOR BRIEF CHANCE TO FRESHEN UP AND GET LAST MINUTE UPDATE ON SITUATION. IF THIS STOP NOT DESIRED, SECRETARY, AMBASSADOR AND SELECTED MEMBERS OF SECRETARY'S PARTY, CAN PROCEED DIRECTLY TO PRIMIN'S RESIDENCE IN CANKAYA FOR INITIAL WORKING SESSION. THIS WILL EXTEND THROUGH WORKING DINNER WHICH PRIMIN WILL HOST FOR SECRETARY AND THOSE ACCOMPANYING HIM TO THE WORKING SESSION.
- 4. SATURDAY NOV 9. EARLY IN MORNING (8:30 OR 9:00) SECRETARY WILL PERFORM SHORT WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY AT ATATURK'S TOMB. COURTESY CALL ON PRESIDENT KORUTURK WILL ALSO TAKE PLACE SATURDAY MORNING. SECRETARY AND PRIME MINISTER WILL THEN PROBABLY WISH TO RESUME WORKING SESSIONS AT PRIME MINISTER'S RESIDENCE. PRIME MINISTER WILL HOST OFFICIAL LUNCHEON AT ADJOINING FONMIN'S RESIDENCE (MAXIMUM 60 GUESTS) INCLUDING SECRETARY, MRS. KISSINGER, SENIOR MEMBERS OF PARTY, EMBASSY, SENIOR TURKISH GOVERNMENT OFFICIALS, CHAIRMEN OF HOUSE AND SENATE FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMITTEES, GOVERNOR, MAYOR, GARRISON COMMANDER AND WIVES. SECRETARY WILL BE EXPECTED TO MAKE A BRIEF TOAST. SECRETARY AND PARTY WOULD PROCEED DIRECTLY FROM LUNCHEON TO AIRPORT.
- 5. MRS. KISSINGER'S SCHEDULE. WHILE SECRETARY ATTENDS WORKING DINNER ON FRIDAY EVENING. PROTOCOL OFFICE HAS SUGGESTED THAT MRS. KISSINGER MAY WISH TO ATTEND A CONCERT BENG GIVEN AT 8:30 P.M. BY THE PRESIDENTIAL SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA (WITH EZECK GUEST PIANIST PAUL SKODA) FEATURING WORKS BY MOZART, BEETHOVEN, AND DEBUSSY. THIS WOULD BE HOSTED BY MME. GUNES WHO WOULD OFER A LIGHT SUPPER EITHER BEFORE OR AFTER THE CONCERT (WHICH WOULD END AT ABOUT 10:30 P.M.). SATURDAY MRS. KISSINGER IS WELCOME TO ACCOMPANY THE SECRETARY FOR THE WREATH-LAYING CEREMONY AT THE MAUSOLEUM, WHICH WE RECOMMEND. THE REMAINDER OF THE MORNING WOULD BE FREE UNTIL THE OFFICIAL LUNCHEON. UNLESS MRS. KISSINGER MIGHT LIKE TO USE THESE HOURS FOR A LITTLE REST, BOTH PROTOCOL OFFICE AND MRS, MACOMBER SUGGEST AN HOUR'S VISIT TO THE HITTITE MUSEUM, WHICH IS A SMALL AND TRULY OUTSTANDING MUSEUM NEXT TO ANKARA'S ORIGINAL CITADEL. LIKE EVERYTHING ELSE IN ANKARA (EXCEPT THE AIRPORT) CONFIDENTIAL

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IT TAKES ONLY A FEW MINUTES' DRIVE TO GET TO.

6. THE PROTOCOL OFFICE WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE AS SOON AS POSSIDLE NAMES OF MEMBERS OF DELEGATION AND ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE TIMES. ALTHOUGH TURKS UNDERSTAND SECRETARY DOES NOT PLAN EXCHANGE OF GIFTS, DIRGEN PROTOCOL ASKED WHETHER THERE WOULD BE ANY OBJECTION TO PRESENTATION OF COFFEE-TABLE SIZE PHOTOGRAPH BOOK ABOUT TURKEY.

7. PLEASE ADVISE WHETHER SECRETARY WISHES INTERIN STOP AT QUARTERS ON WAY TO FIRST SESSION WITH PRIMIN (PARA 3 ABOVE).
ALSO, PRIMIN HAS ASKED ME HOW MANY WOULD BE ACCOMPANYING SECRETARY TO WORKING SESSIONS (PRIMIN HAS NO PARTICULAR WISHES THIS REGARD, BUT QUESTION IS PROMPTED BY NEED TO DECIDE HOW MANY SENIOR ADVISORS HE WILL ALSO HAVE PRESENT AND HENCE SIZE OF WORKING SESSION).
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